
A Census of High-Value Swedish Perfins

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The wonderful Swedish Catalog of Perfins, done by Bergman, Lagerwall and Swenson twenty five years ago, is, well..., twenty five years old. At that time, the authors did their best to take a census of all Swedish perfins. From that census they determined rarity values. In the Swedish catalog 'R4' is given to patterns with quantities between 4 and 10 known and 'R5' is given to those patterns where 3 or fewer examples are known.

With the help of all readers of the *Bulletin*, I am

attempting a new census of the rarer Swedish perfins. There are nineteen R4 patterns in the catalog and nine R5 patterns. This equals a possible grand total of 217 loose stamps or stamps on cover (19 x 10 max. and 9 x 3 max.) according to the 25-year-old catalog. If every reader with any Swedish perfins will send me a letter, card or e-mail with your counts of these stamps, we can, hopefully, come up with newer numbers for quantities known to exist. I will mention your name with the results only if you permit. Thanks for all help

Catalog #	Pattern	Rarity
A6	AB/HS	R4
A13	ALM	R4
B2	BF	R5
C4	C.L.	R4
D6	Dun	R5
E5	E.M.	R4
E6	E.S.	R4
H2	HAG	R4
H5	HERZ	R5
H7	H.W.	R4

Catalog #	Pattern	Rarity
I1	INKATOR	R4
J3	J.E.S.	R4
J4	J.F.	R4
K1	K/TM	R4
L1	L	R5
M1	M	R5
M3	MC	R4
M6	MOE	R4
N3	N.J./G.	R4
N4	NK (inside a circle)	R5

Catalog #	Pattern	Rarity
O5	O & O	R5
S2	S.A.A.	R4
S3	SAK	R5
S9	SEA	R4
S17	\$	R4
T3	THAM	R4
W2	W + G	R5
W7	W-W	R4

Please go through your holdings and let me know how many of each of the above-listed patterns you have. I will announce the results when possible.

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